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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.(currently amended): A packet communication system comprising:

a monitoring unit which monitors each communicability state of terminals, each of which is exclusively used for a person, detects a change between a current communicability state of the terminals and a previous communicability state of the terminals, and generates monitoring results in accordance with detecting the change; and

[[a]] an editing communication unit which edits the monitoring results of the terminals and transmits edited monitoring results on a network.

2.(original): The packet communication system of claim 1, wherein the editing communication unit sets to incommunicable state a terminal that has been in uncommunicable state for a period of time or longer.

3.(original): The packet communication system of claim 2, further comprising a server wherein the editing communication unit edits the monitoring results of the terminals in e-mail format and transmits edited monitoring results to the server.

4.(original): The packet communication system of claim 1, further comprising a World Wide Web server, wherein said communication editing unit edits the monitoring results of the terminals in tagged-text format and provides the edited monitoring results to the World Wide Web server as a file name including a date and/or time of day.

5.(original): The packet communication system of claim 2, wherein the server is an FTP (File Transfer protocol) server and the communication editing unit edits the edited monitoring results into table-format data and provides the edited monitoring results to the FTP server as a file name including date and/or time of day.

6.(original): The packet communication system of claim 3, wherein billing information corresponding to the communication executed by the terminals is included in the edited monitoring results.

7.(currently amended): A packet communication system comprising:  
a monitoring unit which monitors each communicability state of terminals, each of which is exclusively used for a person, and stores the communicability state in the monitoring unit;  
and

an agent reception and transfer unit which, when at least one terminal is in an incommunicable state detected by the monitoring unit, the agent reception and transfer unit receives e-mail instead of a user of a terminal that is in the incommunicable state and transfers the received e-mail to a desired transfer destination.

8.(original): The packet communication system of claim 7, wherein the agent reception and transfer unit which receives e-mail instead of the user, includes one or more prescribed characters in a title of the received e-mail, and transfers the received e-mail to the desired transfer destination.

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9.(original): The packet communication system of claim 7, wherein if the prescribed characters are included in the title of the e-mail, the agent reception and transfer unit sets the e-mail to be in unread state.

10.(original): The packet communication system of claim 7, wherein if an e-mail address of the transmission origin of the e-mail before the e-mail is received agrees with the e-mail address used by the agent reception and transfer unit, the agent reception and transfer unit sets the e-mail to be in unread state.